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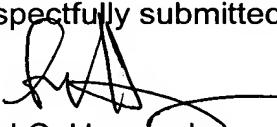
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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 16, 2002, containing a restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects species (1)(b) (pulmonic placement of flow control device) and subspecies (2)(a) (spring resilient flow control device material). Claims 25-33 read on the elected species (1)(b) and claim 27 reads on the elected subspecies (2)(a). Applicant reserves the right to file continuing applications directed to the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,


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